Restructuring of Bureau of Civil Aviation Security

4034. SHRIMATI JAMANA DEVIBARUPAL:
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(b) whether Government are examining a proposal to restructure the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) to make it more effective in the changed aviation security scenario;

(c) if so, whether the Parliamentary Consultative Committee had urged the need to have a fresh look at the manpower requirements of BCAS both at the headquarter and field level;

(d) if so, what are the main points of restructuring proposals that are being worked out; and

(e) to what extent the security of the airports have been further strengthened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) Yes, Sir. As a part of the ongoing process of strengthening of aviation security, a proposal for restructuring the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) has been prepared and the proposal is still at a nascent stage.

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The restructuring proposal aims at achieving increased monitoring, inspection and survey of security arrangements.

(c) CISF has been deployed at 46 airports. At the remaining airports, CISF will be deployed in a phased manner. To provide security coverage to the passengers, Sky Marshals are deployed on all flights of Indian registered aircraft at random basis.

Agreement with Saudi Arabia in Air Services

4035. MISS MABEL REBELLO:
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(b) whether it is a fact that Air India has signed an agreement with Saudi Arabia for increasing the frequency of their flights, if so, the details thereof:

(c) whether it is also a fact that originating points have been added in the flight map of AI; and